

## **UPDATE: COVID-19 Information for Saratoga County May 31, 2020**

Ballston Spa, NY — The Saratoga County Department of Public Health Services today announced the most current stats\* on COVID-19 in Saratoga County.

- Confirmed cases of COVID-19: 477
- Deaths: 15
- Hospitalizations: 6

\*Please note that we are not able to provide updates on active cases, recovered cases and total tests during the weekend. Those numbers will be updated on Monday.

### Reopening

The Capital Region remains on track for Phase Two re-opening on June 3. Guidance documents are available for those that are allowed to open during Phase One or Phase Two [here](#). All businesses or entities must have plans in place to open safely and protect their employees and customers, and reopening safety plan templates can be found [here](#).

### Antibody testing for food delivery and restaurant workers

As part of the Governor's initiative for antibody sampling of essential workers, food delivery and restaurant workers will be offered the opportunity to receive free COVID-19 antibody testing conducted by the New York State Department of Health. The testing process takes approximately 15 minutes. No appointment is necessary.

When:

Monday, June 1 – Thursday, June 4

Site hours:

10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location:

SUNY Albany

SEFCU Arena (please enter via Western Avenue)

1400 Washington Ave, Albany, NY 12222

[County Reopening Website](#)

Remember to visit the County's new COVID-19 reopening website, [www.saratogacountyny.gov/county-reopening](http://www.saratogacountyny.gov/county-reopening). The website will be updated regularly with information pertaining to when certain businesses may begin to reopen.

### Masks in public

The Governor recently signed an Executive Order allowing business owners to deny entry to people who refuse to wear masks. It's been proven that widespread mask-wearing is an effective tool against the spread of COVID-19, and that is why this Executive Order was signed. Face masks work two ways by protecting both the wearer and others.

Per guidelines from the CDC, the exceptions to the mask mandate are:

- Children under age 2
- Anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance

### Data Dashboard enhanced

The dashboard now includes more comprehensive information and charts on positive cases. A link to the data dashboard, which is updated on weekdays, can be found at the top of the Saratoga County Department of Public Health Services' COVID-19 website, located [here](#).

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